

Please replace the last paragraph on page 3 of the specification, which extends onto page 4 of the specification with the following paragraph (marked-up copies of the originally filed pages 3 and 4 are attached).

Alternatively, an open loop control of the nip pressure may be employed in which, for example, a mathematical computer algorithm automatically increases the pressure as functions of time, reel length or roll diameter. More specifically, the algorithm can be programmed to automatically adjust the nip pressure over time, with the use of, e.g., a flow meter, a length of passing web, or when a diameter is physically reached.

TITLE PAGE

Please replace the Title page of the application with the enclosed new Title page (a marked-up copy of the originally filed Title page is also attached).

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the changes to the Specification add no new matter and merely clarify the originally filed Specification, claims, and drawings. The substitute Title page adds an inventor name, which was inadvertently overlooked at the time of filing the present application. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Joint Inventors is forthcoming and properly includes all inventors of the present application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48 (f) (1) and as shown on the substitute Title page.

Applicants further respectfully submit that all pending claims are patentable in view of the above Preliminary Amendment and respectfully request consideration and examination of the present Application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

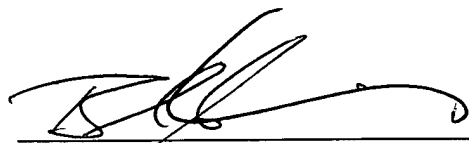
The examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at his convenience should he have any questions regarding these matters.

Please charge any fees required by this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

Respectfully submitted,

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